

Public Notice

Public Notice No. **04-79** Date: **November 10, 2004**

Nashville District

Application No. 200401935

Please address all comments to: Nashville District Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Branch (Attn: Richard Graham), 3701 Bell Road, Nashville, TN

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Telephone (615) 369-7507, Fax (615) 369-7501.

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY AND STATE OF TENNESSEE

SUBJECT: Proposed Boat Ramp Replacement at Mile 157.9, Left Bank, Tennessee River (Kentucky Lake), Decatur County, Tennessee

TO ALL CONCERNED: The project described below has been submitted for a Department of the Army (DA) Permit pursuant to **Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act (RHA) of 1899 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344)**,and a Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) permit pursuant to Section 26a of the TVA Act. Before a permit can be issued, certification must be provided by the state of Tennessee, Division of Water Pollution Control, pursuant to Section 401(a)(1) of the CWA, that applicable water quality standards will not be violated. By copy of this notice, the applicant hereby applies for the required certification.

APPLICANT: Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency

Attn: Les Haun P. O. Box 40747

Nashville, Tennessee 37204

LOCATION: Mile 157.9L, Tennessee River (Kentucky Lake), Decatur County, TN (USGS Quad: Clifton, TN; Latitude 35 deg 23 min 25 sec; Longitude 87 deg 59 min 38 sec).

DESCRIPTION: The proposed work would consist of replacing the existing boat ramp at the subject location. After removal of the old ramp, the proposed 22' x 83' x 0.5' ramp would be formed as a concrete slab "in the dry" and pushed into place. The top of the new ramp would be at Elevation 362.0' with the bottom at Elevation 350.5'. Riprap would be placed along both sides of the ramp to prevent undercutting. The new ramp would provide the public with an easier and safer facility for launching boats. Plans of the proposed work are attached.

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The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts including cumulative impacts of the activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources.

The benefit, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the work, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors, which may be relevant to the work, will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shore erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. A permit will be granted unless the District Engineer determines it to be contrary to the public interest.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historical properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

The proposed work has been categorically excluded from environmental documentation by 33 CFR Part 325 Appendix B, Paragraph 6, which became effective on March 6, 1988. An Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement could be required if extraordinary circumstances with substantial environmental effects are revealed during the public interest review process.

The National Register of Historic Places has been consulted and no properties listed in or eligible for the National Register are known which would be affected by the proposed work. This review constitutes the full extent of cultural resources investigations unless comment to this notice is received documenting that significant sites or properties exist which may be affected by this work, or that adequately documents that a potential exists for the location of significant sites or properties within the permit area. Copies of this notice are being sent to the office of the State Historic Preservation Officer.

Based on available information, the proposed work will not destroy or endanger any federally listed threatened or endangered species or their critical habitats, as identified under the Endangered Species Act, and, therefore, initiation of formal consultation procedures with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is not planned at this time.

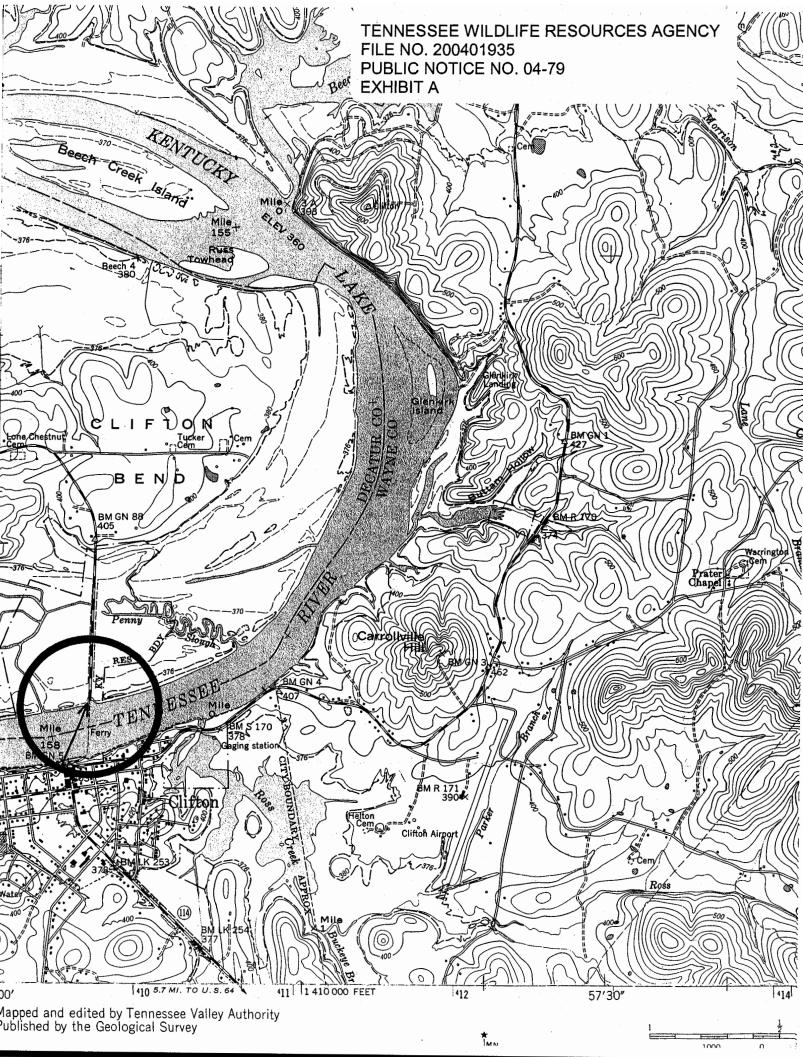
Other federal, state, and/or local approvals required for the proposed work are as follows:

Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) approval under Section 26a of the TVA Act. In addition to other provisions of its approval, TVA would require the applicant to employ best management practices to control erosion and sedimentation, as necessary, to prevent adverse aquatic impacts.

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Water quality certification from the state of Tennessee in accordance with Section 401(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act.

Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a hearing. Written statements received in this office on or before **December 10, 2004**, will become a part of the record and will be considered in the determination. Any response to this notice should be directed to the Regulatory Branch, Attn: Richard Graham, address above, telephone (615) 369-7507, Fax (615) 369-7501. The e-mail address is richard.graham@usace.army.mil. It is not necessary to comment separately to TVA since copies of all comments will be sent to that agency and will become part of its record on the proposal. However, if comments are sent to TVA, they should be mailed to TVA Watershed Team, P.O. Box 280, Paris, Tennessee 38242, telephone (731) 641-2000. Comments relative to the 401 water quality certification should be sent to Mr. Dan Eagar, Tennessee Division of Water Pollution Control, 7th Floor, L&C Annex, 401 Church Street, Nashville, TN 37243-1534, telephone (615) 532-0625.



ON EXISTING GRASS. RE: MAP# 2440 - KN. RESERVAIR TENNISCE WILLIFE RISORCES AGENCY NOTE: NO EXCHUATION STOWE DIRECTLY MILE MARKER 157.9 LEFT BAVK PLACE CRUSHUN 15 AUTHORIZEDA OLD CLIFTON FERRY RESER VOIR DLD H67 114 NEW PARKING PLAN KENTUCKY Scale: NEW GRAVEL PARKING PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 04-79 EXHIBIT B Ŕ PRIVATE DRIVE 88 NEV N GOMSS-Z OKA RAMO \$188888 818888 V 000 MOTH

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